The Influence of Multimedia Assisted Inquiry Learning Methods on My Heroes' Theme of Critical Thinking Skills and Learning Outcomes of Class IV Students of Elementary School

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ABSTRACT

This study aims to analyze and observe the effect of inquiry learning methods on critical thinking skills and learning outcomes in Grade IV Elementary Schools. This research was conducted at Sekolah Dasar Negeri Percobaan 2 Malang (State Elementary School Experiment 2 Malang), in the first semester of 2017-2018 school year. This study uses two classes namely the experimental class and the control class. The research sample was class IV B students as the experimental class and IVC class as the control class. The research instruments used were observation sheets of critical thinking skills and learning outcomes tests. Data analysis techniques used include normality test, homogenous test, and independent test t-test. The results showed: Multimedia-assisted Inquiry learning methods had an effect on critical thinking skills and learning outcomes of fourth grade students of State Elementary School Experiment 2 Malang. Thus, the media is used as an alternative medium in social studies learning in the fourth grade.


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1. INTRODUCTION

Education "is" part "of the" needs "of living" humans. "The existence of" education "can" increase "the ability to" think "with" good "and "Acquire" knowledge. According to Hadi (2008: 20) the highest proportion in formal education is a lesson. Teaching is a process of transferring knowledge, attitudes, likes and behaviors to students through teaching assisted by various learning resources. The teaching can be given through 3 education channels, namely formal, informal, non-formal. "Formal" education (school) "has" the main problem "in" teaching "that is" decreasing the ability of students to receive lessons. "This is evidenced from" acquisition "Results of" daily "tests, namely" partially "students have not "fulfilled the minimum" completeness "criteria (KKM)," so that "must" be held "remedial / improved" value "to" meet the "value" of the KKM. There are several things that can be influenced by the high or low value of learning or student achievement. Such things usually come from outside, such as strategies or ways of teaching teachers, methods used, media used, and learning environments. While internal factors can be intelligence, motivation, self discipline, and various things that come from students.

The success of a learning can be seen from the achievement of learning objectives as evidenced by changes in student learning outcomes obtained. So that related to the use of methods, approaches and strategies that have a large influence on the achievement of student learning outcomes. According to Piaget, Inquiry has an educational concept that emphasizes "preparing students to conduct experiments on their own extensively so that they see what is happening, want to do something, ask questions, and find answers themselves, and connect findings to one another, comparing what he found with what other students found. Therefore we need a learning method that accommodates this, one of which is the Inquiry Learning Method. The researcher concludes the theory from the theory above that Inquiry is a learning method that prepares students in situations to conduct their own experiments so that they can think critically to find and find answers to a problem in question. According to Marzano, one of the main goals of
attending school is to improve the ability of students to think critically, so that they can make rational decisions about what to do or what to believe. These critical thinking skills need to be trained early on in students. This is because critical thinking is needed in every profession and it allows one to face reality in a reasonable and independent way.

According to Supardi (2011:182) social studies education emphasizes the skills students must have in solving problems, both problems that exist within the scope of themselves to even complex problems. In essence, social studies education is more focused on providing provision of problem solving skills faced by students. Learning activities using the Inquiry learning method will be suitable if combined with learning media, the intended learning media is a medium that can be used as a tool to support the success of learning that can improve student learning enthusiasm. "The media used in this study were educational videos about heroes. By using multimedia to support social studies learning through the Inquiry learning method so that pleasant experiences can be obtained to meet each other's needs and can present something that can be seen and heard to be able to motivate students in learning and provide learning experiences to students. Multimedia has a very good role and benefits in terms of applications that provide a variety of the best services including videos that can be downloaded first, then stored and can be used even though they don't have a network that is online.

According to Vaughan (2004: p1), Multimedia is a combination of text, images, sounds, animations and videos sent to you via a computer or other electronic device or by digital manipulation. The following is a study that was conducted by I Kd. Arik Antini, I Gst. Agung Oka Negara, I Wy. The 2014 Sudjana entitled "Guided Inquiry Learning Method Assisted by Audio-Visual Media Influences Social Studies in Class V Elementary School Students Group Letda Kajeng." The results showed that there were significant differences in social studies between groups of students who learned using media-assisted inquiry learning methods. audio-visual with those taught using conventional learning. This is evident from the difference in average Social Sciences between the experimental group and the control group namely \( 74.45 \geq 57.74 \). The results of the analysis using the t-test were obtained \( t_{\text{count}} = 5.58 \geq t_{\text{table}} = 2.00 \). It can be concluded that the guided inquiry learning method assisted by audio-visual media has an effect on the social studies of students in grade V in the Elementary School of Letda Kajeng Academic Year 2013/2014.

Other studies that "support" the "solving" of the "problem" are "research" that are "carried out" by "Leni Sofiannida, Sri Utaminingsih, Su'ad" 2018 "with" title " Effects of Guided Inquiry Learning Methods Based on Local Wisdom Against Skills "Critical Thinking My Heroes' Class IV Elementary School." "The results of this show that: 1) guided inquiry methods based on effective local wisdom to improve critical thinking skills in the theme of my elementary school fourth grade hero are somewhat of a guided inquiry method. This is evidenced by the results of the average guided inquiry method based on local wisdom and not on the inquiry method initiative (76.55 \geq 67.94), 2) there is a significant effect of students critical thinking skills between guided inquiry methods based on local wisdom and guided Inquiry method. This is evidenced by the results of \( t_{\text{count}} > t_{\text{table}} \) (2.757 > 2.002) and a smaller significance value with a significance level of 5% (\( p = 0.010 \geq 0.05 \)).

2. METHODS

Type of research is Quasi Experimental is a design that has a control group but is not fully functional to examine external variables such as student motivation, student interest, and learning time that can affect the implementation of experiments. This method is used to determine whether or not there is an influence between the use of Inquiry and Multimedia learning methods that are used on critical thinking skills and student learning outcomes.

2.1 Research design

The design of this study is design non equivalent (pre-test and post-test) design Control Group. In this design the experimental group and the control group were subjected to pre-test and post-test, but only the experimental group received treatment X. In the experimental class the implementation of experiments uses the learning method Inquiry. While the learning control class is conventional with the lecture method. Then the final test is carried out to find out the social science about the cognitive abilities of students who have attended learning.

2.2 Research Samples

The research sample used Cluster Random Sampling. This technique takes samples randomly from groups. Random sampling is done to determine the experimental class and the control class. Based on the results of randomization, it was obtained class IV-B as experiment and class IV-C as control. The experimental sample uses the Multimedia Assisted Inquiry Learning Methods while the control class uses conventional learning methods, namely the lecture method.

2.3 Data Analysis

From the results of assessment of students' critical thinking skills can be calculated using the formula listed below:

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M = \frac{\sum F}{n} \times 100
\]


Analysis of data from student learning outcomes, can be calculated using a formula listed below:
Score = $\frac{B}{N} \times 100\%$

Source: Yamin (2010: p. 159)

Based on the information on minimum completeness criteria (KKM) in State Elementary School Experiment 2 Malang, students are declared to have completed their learning outcomes if they get a value of $\geq 70$.

3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

The use of media tailored to the learning material and can draw enthusiasm of students in the learning process. The media used can be seen in the following figure:

![Multimedia (Video)](image)

Figure 1. Multimedia (Video)

Table 1. Results of the Normality Test

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Variables</th>
<th>Class</th>
<th>Significance</th>
<th>Level</th>
<th>Information</th>
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<td>Critical Thinking</td>
<td>Control</td>
<td>,125</td>
<td>0.05</td>
<td>Normal</td>
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<tr>
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<td>Experim</td>
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<td>Normal</td>
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<td>Learning Results</td>
<td>Control</td>
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<td>Normal</td>
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<td>Normal</td>
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<td>Learning Results</td>
<td>Posttest</td>
<td>,181</td>
<td>0.05</td>
<td>Normal</td>
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Test for normality using the chi square test formula with a significance level of 0.05 or 5%. If the significance of $< 0.05$, the conclusion is that the data is not normal. But if the significance is $> 0.05$, the data is normally distributed. Variables of control critical thinking obtained a significant value of 0.125 > 0.05. The experimental critical thinking variable obtained a significant value of 0.177 > 0.05. The variables of the pretest learning outcomes of the control class students obtained a significance value of 0.120 > 0.05 on the posttest learning outcomes of the control class students obtained a significance value of 0.119 > 0.05. Variables of pre-student learning outcomes in the experimental class obtained a significance value of 0.128 > 0.05, on the posttest learning outcomes of students in the experimental class obtained a significance value of 0.181 > 0.05. So that it can be stated that all variables in table 4.18 are normally distributed. The homogeneity test was carried out using the One-way Anova test with the help of SPSS 21 program. The homogeneity test results are shown in the table 2.

Table 2. Results of the Homogenities

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Test of Homogeneity of Variances</th>
<th>Levene Statistic</th>
<th>df1</th>
<th>df2</th>
<th>Sig.</th>
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<td>Thinking Critical</td>
<td>.255</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>48</td>
<td>.616</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pretest</td>
<td>.490</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>48</td>
<td>.487</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Post test</td>
<td>1.604</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>48</td>
<td>.211</td>
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Table 2 is homogeneity test data using a significance level of 0.05 or 5%. If the significance is $< 0.05$, the data group variant is not homogeneous, and if the significance is $> 0.05$, the data group variant is homogeneous. The critical thinking skills variable obtained a significance value of 0.616 > 0.05, it is said that the variable is homogeneous, the learning outcome variable (pretest) obtained a significance value of 0.487 > 0.05, it can be said that the variable is homogeneous. Whereas the learning outcome variable (posttest) obtained a significance value of 0.211 > 0.05, it can be said that the variable is homogeneous. From these two variables it can be concluded that the data is homogeneous or has met the basic assumptions of homogeneity. After the normality and homogeneity tests are carried out, the hypothesis testing can be used to determine the effect of Multimedia assisted Inquiry learning methods on critical thinking skills and Social Sciences learning outcomes of my heroic theme for fourth grade students of State Elementary School Experiment 2 Malang.,. The decision making can also be seen in a significant level $p$ Sig. (2-tailed). If $p < 0.05$, $H_0$ is accepted and $H_a$ is rejected, if $p < 0.05$ then $H_0$ is rejected and $H_a$ is accepted (Triton, 2006, p.175). The following are the results of the t-test of critical thinking skills and student learning outcomes in the experimental group using the Inquiry learning method and the control group using conventional models.

Table 3. Results of the T-Test

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<tr>
<th>Group Statistics</th>
<th>Class</th>
<th>N</th>
<th>Mean</th>
<th>Std. Deviation</th>
<th>Std. Error Mean</th>
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<tr>
<td>Thinking Critical</td>
<td>Control</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>84,84</td>
<td>10,323</td>
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<td></td>
<td>experiment</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>61,12</td>
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<td>Pre-test</td>
<td>Control</td>
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<td>64,60</td>
<td>11,173</td>
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<td>11,547</td>
<td>2,309</td>
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<td>Post-test</td>
<td>Control</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>88,00</td>
<td>9,242</td>
<td>1,848</td>
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<td></td>
<td>experiment</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>73,80</td>
<td>10,924</td>
<td>2,185</td>
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In the results of the analysis with the Independent Sample T-test showed that critical thinking skills obtained a $t_{count}$ of 7.944, a value of $t_{table}$ at (df.48) and a real level of 0.05 of 1,677, if a comparison was made then $|t_{count}| > t_{table}$ with the results of sig. 2 tailed at 0.00 < 0.05 and said to accept $H_0$ which means that there is a significant difference. Which means there are differences in critical thinking skills and student learning outcomes between the control class and the experimental class. At the pretest the $t_{count}$ is 0.498. The value of $t_{table}$ at (df.48) and the real level of 0.05 is 1,677, if a comparison is made then $t_{count} < |t_{table}|$.
Based on the results of the elaboration of the above research related to the Inquiry learning method, there is the influence of critical thinking skills of students experiencing significant changes between classes using the Inquiry learning model compared to classes that only use conventional learning models. This finding is also supported by research relating to Inquiry learning methods conducted by Sadam Husein, Loy Herayanti and Gunawan in 2015 entitled "The Effect of Using Interactive Multimedia on Mastery of Concepts and Critical Thinking Skills of Students on Temperature and Heat Material" that Inquiry learning method is very affect the mastery of students' concepts in the temperature and heat material of class X SMA Negeri 1 and can be used or used as a learning model to improve students' critical thinking skills. The equation in this study is that both have the independent variable namely Inquiry learning method while in the use of media both use multimedia both previous research and in this study and the measured benchmarks are students' critical thinking skills and learning outcomes. Both of these studies showed good results and had an influence on the experimental class.

Furthermore, other studies that are in line with this research are research conducted by Hidayati Suhada in 2017 with the title "Inquiry Learning Method and Critical Thinking Ability to the Science Process Skills of Class V Students in Science Subjects". In this study, it has been proven that Inquiry learning methods can improve the thinking skills of fifth grade students of elementary school. The equation in this study is in the independent variables used, namely the Inquiry learning method and the students' critical thinking skills that are measured, similar to this study, the Y2 variable is learning outcomes. Both of these studies showed good results and had an influence on the experimental class and were successful.

### 3.1 Effect of Multimedia Assisted Inquiry Learning Methods on Critical Thinking Skills

Chapter will discuss the results of the research that focused on the findings so that the findings can be justified by theoretical studies. In table 3.9 the normality test for critical thinking skills is in the control class 0.125 and in the experimental class 0.177. The two test groups have a significant value > 0.05. It is concluded that the results of critical thinking skills in each are normally distributed. In table 3.10 the homogeneity test obtained the value of homogeneity of critical thinking skills in the control class of 0.487 and in the experimental class of 0.211. With a significance number > 0.05, it can be concluded that the sample variants are homogeneous or the same.

The average value of critical thinking students before treatment. Can be seen the acquisition of the average value of control is 1.829 while in the experimental class is 2.121. Then by looking at the results of the Independent Samples Test, the T-test obtained a tcount of 7.944, a value of table at (df.48) and a real level of 0.05 is 1,677, if a comparison is made then tcount > table with the results of sig. 2 tailed at 0,000 < 0,05 and said to receive H0 which means that there are significant differences. Which means that there are differences in student learning outcomes between the control class and the experimental class at the post-test.

### 3.2 Effect of Multimedia Assisted Inquiry Learning Methods on Student Learning Outcomes

Based on table 3.9 the results of the normality test for student learning outcomes on the pretest problem, namely the control class of 0.120 while in the experimental class is 0.128. Furthermore, for the results of the analysis of the normality of learning outcomes in the post test questions, namely in the control class of 0.119 while the experimental class is 0.181. The two test groups have a significance value of > 0.05, so it can be concluded that the data on student learning outcomes in each class are normally distributed. In table 3.10 the homogeneity test results obtained the value of student learning outcomes on the news question of 0, 487 while in the experimental class 0, 211. Both of these results have a significance value > 0.05 can be concluded that the sample variants in the study were homogeneous or the same. The average value of students before the treatment (pretest) obtained an average value of control of 1.575 while in the experimental class amounted to 1.620. Then by looking at the results of the Independent Sample T-test obtained a tcount of 0.498. The value of ttable at (df.48) and the real level of 0.05 is 1,677, if a comparison is
The value of normalized gain of critical thinking skills of the experimental class students is 0.177 and the control class is 0.125. The normalized gain value of the pretest learning outcomes of the experimental class students is 0.128 and the control class is 0.120. The normalized gain value of the posttest learning outcomes of the experimental class students is 0.181 and the control class is 0.119. Test results of independent samples t-test of critical thinking skills showed that the value of tcount was 7.944, the value of table at (df.48) and the significance level of 0.05 was 1,677. The results of the test of independent samples t-test of the pretest learning results indicate that the tcount is 0.498. The value of table at (df.48) and the real level of 0.05 is 1,677 and the results of the test independent samples t-test of the posttest learning outcomes indicate that the value of tcount is 4.962. The value of table at (df.48) and the significance level of 0.05 is 1,677. so that it can be concluded that the multimedia-assisted Inquiry learning method has an effect on critical thinking skills and learning outcomes of fourth grade students of State Elementary School Experiment 2 Malang.

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